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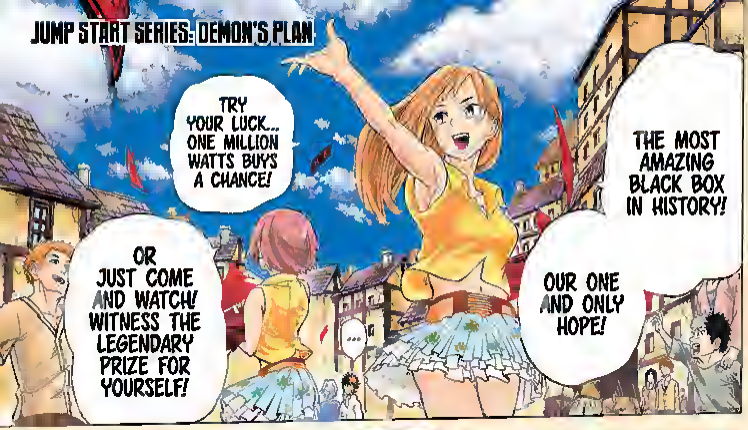
TRY YOUR LUCK... ONE MILLION WATTS BUYS A CHANCE!
THE MOST AMAZING BLACK BOX IN HISTORY!
OR JUST COME AND WATCH! WITNESS THE LEGENDARY PRIZE FOR YOURSELF!
...
OUR ONE AND ONLY HOPE!

THE DEMON'S PLAN!!
forth a demon
grant the wishes
of the Chosen Ones
Bonbon

NO WAY, MAN! GET REAL!
HO HO...
THERE YOU GO AGAIN, BOLO. YOU CARE MORE ABOUT THE CHICKS THAN THE DEMON'S PLAN, DON'TCHA?
AHH... IF ONLY IT WAS A BIT WINDIER...
WOW! ANOTHER BIG CROWD TODAY!

JUMP START!

A TASTE OF WHAT'S NEW IN JAPAN

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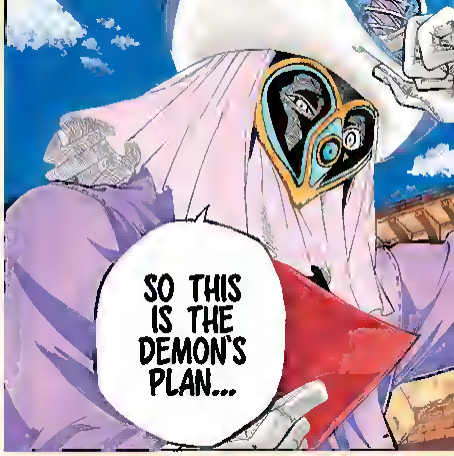

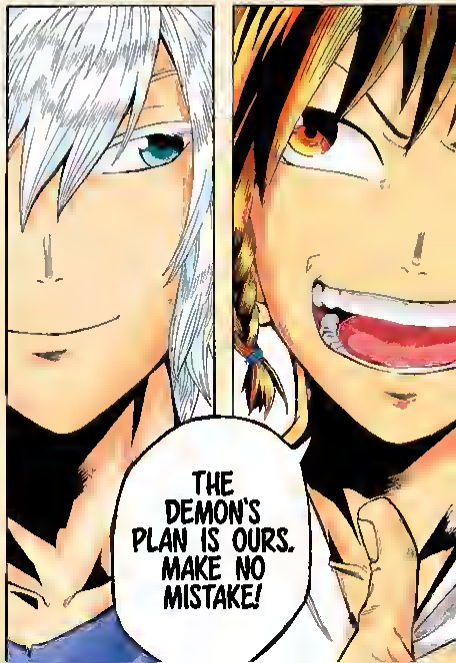

MORE JUMP START SERIES COMING YOUR WAY!

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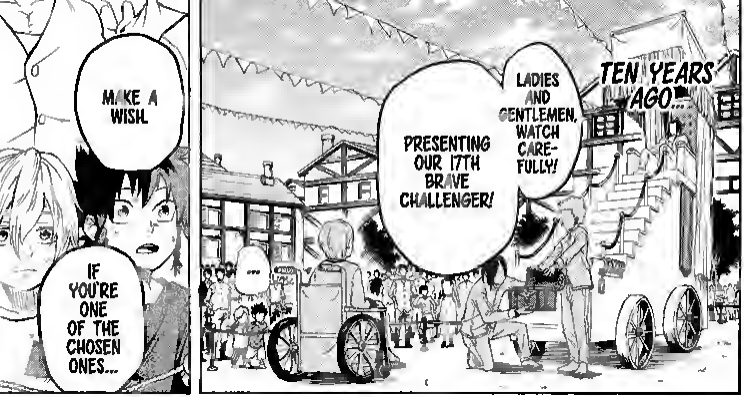
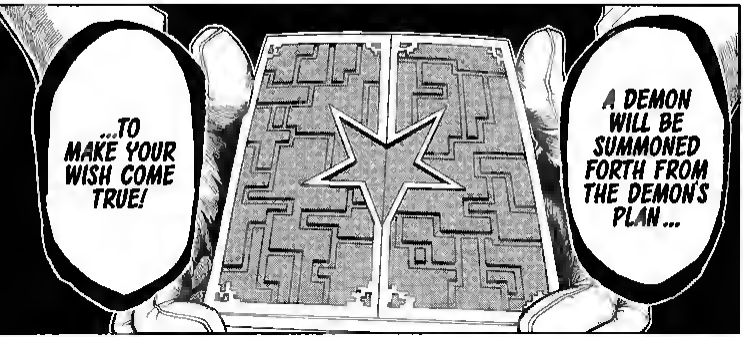
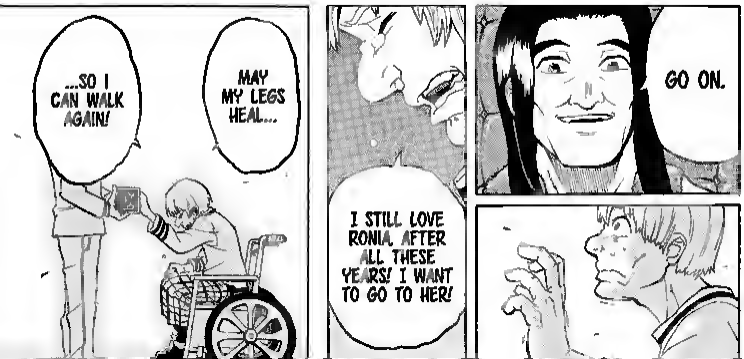

TEN YEARS AGO...
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WATCH CAREFULLY!
PRESENTING OUR 17TH BRAVE CHALLENGER!
...
IF YOU'RE ONE OF THE CHOSEN ONES...
MAKE A WISH.


A DEMON WILL BE SUMMONED FORTH FROM THE DEMON'S PLAN...
...TO MAKE YOUR WISH COME TRUE!

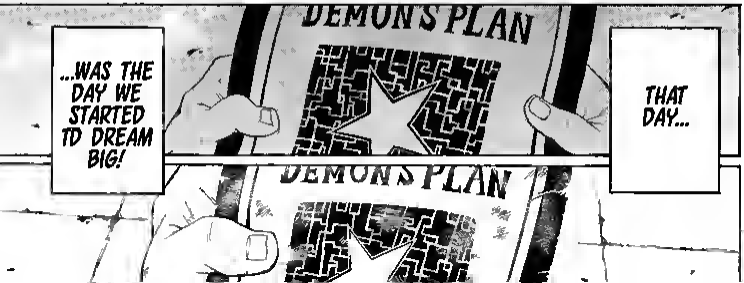

MAY MY LEGS HEAL...
...SO I CAN WALK AGAIN!
I STILL LOVE RONIA AFTER ALL THESE YEARS! I WANT TO GO TO HER!
GO ON.

SHP
THAT DAY, WE WITNESSED SOMETHING EXTRAORDINARY. WE SAW IT WITH OUR VERY OWN EYES...
SHF
SHF
AND A MIRACLE
A DEMON...
WOW...
THE PITEOUS PLEA OF A CHOSEN ONE HAS SUMMONED FORTH A DEMON!
...
WONDERFUL!

WAAAAH!
THIS IS THE POWER OF THE DEMON'S PLAN!!

GET ONE, CARLOS!
GOT IT!

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD BE A CHOSEN ONE?
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE! TAKE THE PLUNGE!
DO YOU HAVE A WISH YOU WANT TO COME TRUE?


DEMON'S PLAN
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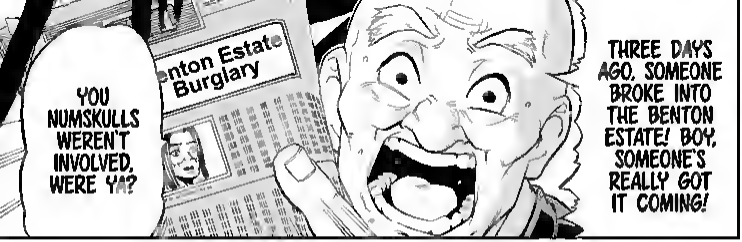
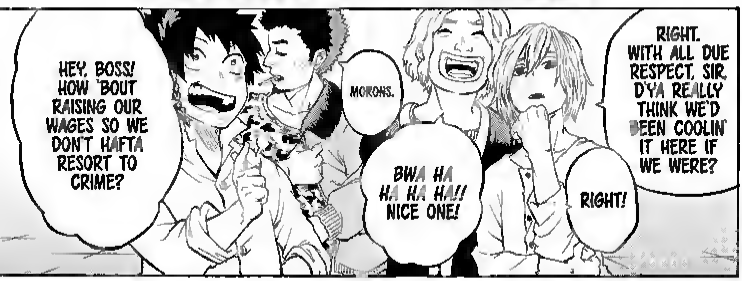
...WAS THE DAY WE STARTED TO DREAM BIG!
THAT DAY...

GRIN
IT'S BEEN TEN YEARS SINCE THEN. THERE HASN'T BEEN ANOTHER CHOSEN ONE SINCE!
TIME TO BURN OFF A FEW CALORIES?
IT'S GOING TO BE PRETTY BRUTAL TODAY, CHIEF.
BWEAF WIME'S OWER?
SHF
DREAM TIME IS UP, PAL.
THE BOAT GETS IN SOON.
BAM
HEY! DIDJA SEE THE MORNING PAPER?!
YOU THINK STREET RATS LIKE US GOT MONEY FOR NEWSPAPERS? WHAT'S IT SAY, BOSS?
HEY GUYS! READY TO KICK SOME BUTT AND MAKE THAT DREAM OF YOURS COME TRUE?
YEAH!
HURRY UP AND TRY YOUR LUCK, BOLO!
JUST YOU WAIT! I'VE GOT ALMOST ENOUGH MONEY SAVED FOR MY CHANCE!


YOU NUMSKULLS WEREN'T INVOLVED, WERE YA?
enton Estate Burglary
THREE DAYS AGO, SOMEONE BROKE INTO THE BENTON ESTATE! BOY, SOMEONE'S REALLY GOT IT COMING!


HEY, BOSS! HOW 'BOUT RAISING OUR WAGES SO WE DON'T HAFTA RESORT TO CRIME?
MORONS.
BWA HA HA HA HA!! NICE ONE!
RIGHT!
RIGHT. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, SIR, D'YA REALLY THINK WE'D BEEN COOLIN' IT HERE IF WE WERE?

THERE'S 872 CRATES.

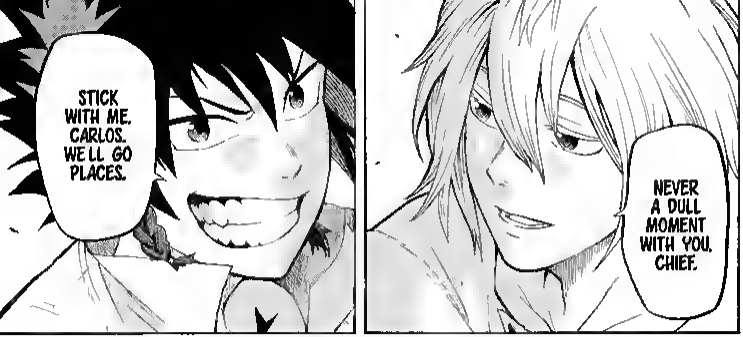
HA
IF YOU GOT CASH FOR HAIR-GROWTH PRODUCTS, HOW 'BOUT SHARING THE WEALTH WITH US?
ZIP IT, YOU LITTLE SMART MOUTH!!
YOU BARELY PAY US!
YOU SHOULD BE THANK'FUL TO BE WORKING AT ALL, YA MANGY PUNKS!

WHILE THE REST OF US SCRIMP AND PINCH TO MAKE ENDS MEET.
A LITTLE ENCLAVE OF RICHY-RICH FOLKS LIVE UP ON THE HILL...
DUMPING TOWN, A RUN-DOWN PORT TOWN.
THE SEAFOOD'S TASTY, BUT THERE'S A BIG GAP BETWEEN THE HAVES AND HAVE-NOTS.

...
IN OTHER WORDS, PHYSICAL LABOR
WE'LL BE UP ALL NIGHT!
GAH! THAT'S TOO MUCH FOR ONE DAY!
EVERY DAY, WE MAKE 2,000 WATTS...
UN-LOADING FREIGHT AT THE SHIPYARD
THAT'S 164 BOXES EACH. IF WE DIVIDE UP THE HEAVY STUFF AND WORK EFFICIENTLY...
RIGHT! OKAY, CARLOS! LET'S YOU 'N ME WORK TOGETHER!

WHSH
HELL, NO! WHAT ARE YOU, NUTS?!
WHAAAAT?!
HUH?
HEY! LET'S BREAK INTO TWO TEAMS AND MAKE IT A CONTEST! DINNER'S ON THE LOSING TEAM!

WOOSH
WE'RE GONNA CREAM THEM, CARLOS! WE'RE EATIN' FOR FREE TONIGHT!!
YEESH. ALWAYS GOTTA START SOMETHING, DON'TCHA?
RESPECT YOUR ELDERS, YA SMART-MOUTHED PUNKS!!
BRING IT ON, YA OLD FOGIES!
BOLO...
YOU'RE JUST AFRAID YOU'RE GONNA LOSE! PATHETIC!
SAY GOODBYE TO A DAY'S WAGES, BOLO!!
SOUNDS LIKE FUN. LET'S DO IT.


STICK WITH ME, CARLOS. WE'LL GO PLACES.
NEVER A DULL MOMENT WITH YOU, CHIEF.

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バァーン
BAM
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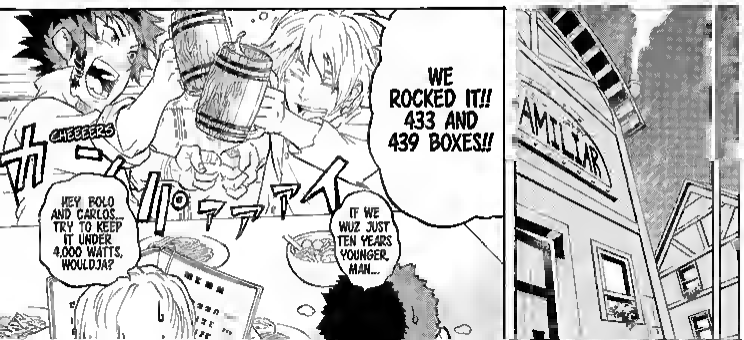
BA-BAM


CHEEEEZE
WE ROCKED IT!! 433 AND 439 BOXES!!
HEY, BOLO AND CARLOS... TRY TO KEEP IT UNDER 4,000 WATTS, WOULDJA?
IF WE WUZ JUST TEN YEARS YOUNGER, MAN...
AMILIAR

A MILLION WATTS?! THAT'S TOO MUCH DOUGH...
RIGHT, CARLOS?
HIC
AW, CRAP... IF ONLY A CHANCE WAS AS CHEAP AS THIS RUM.

I LIKE THE ONE ON THE RIGHT!
WONZA!
NEVER MIND THAT. HEY, IF YOU COULD DATE ONE OF THESE CHICKS, WHICH WOULDJA CHOOSE?

Heh
THE MIDDLE ONE, I GUESS.
THE ONE ON THE LEFT. WHAT ABOUT YOU, CARLOS?

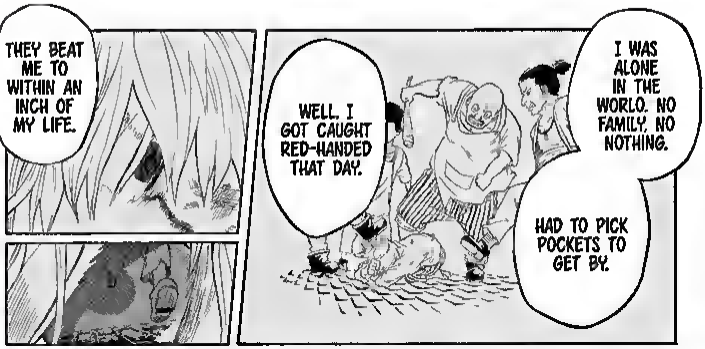
IF WE DON'T GET CHOSEN, DUDE, I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT...
YEAH...BUT A MILLION'S CHEAP IF IT BUYS US A WISH.
SURE, BUT BENTON PAID 100 MIL FOR THE DEMON'S PLAN, AND HE WASN'T CHOSEN, RIGHT?

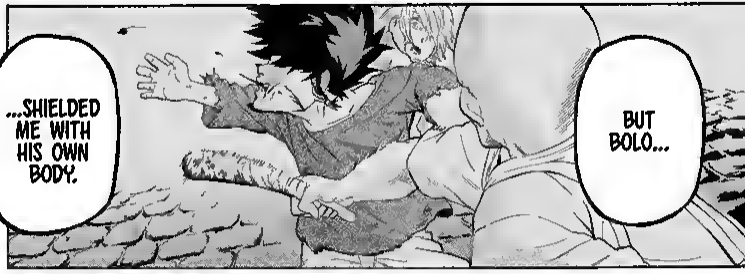
I'LL SURROUND MYSELF WITH GIRLS WITH HUGE BOOBS, GORGE MYSELF ON FANCY GRUB AND BATHE IN PREMIUM BOOZE!!
BUJA HA HA! HA HA!
ALL OF THEM!! I'LL TAKE 'EM ALL! WHEN I'M A CHOSEN ONE, I'M GONNA BE A KING!

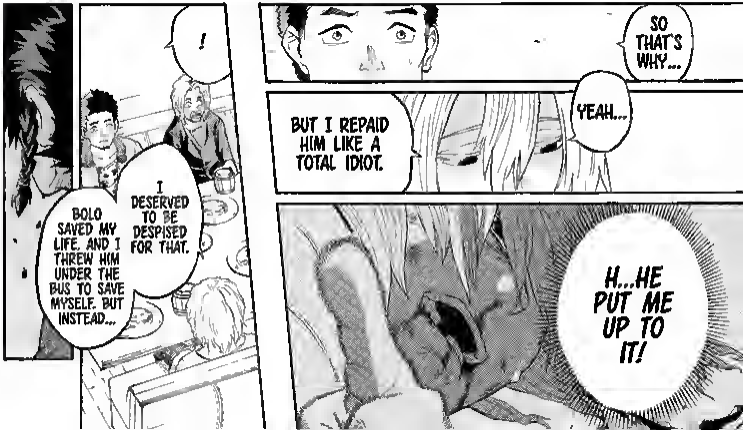
I'VE BEEN WONDERING SOMETHING FOR A WHILE...
...

HEH HEH BOOBIES...
BOLO, YOU'VE HAD ENOUGH. YOU'RE SUCH A LIGHT-WEIGHT.
NOW THAT'S GREEDY...
HA HA HA HA

HOW COME YOU'RE BOLO'S SIDEKICK?
...
DON'T GET ME WRONG. BOLO'S A GOOD GUY.
BUT STILL ...
SEEMS TO ME LIKE YOU'RE THE NATURAL LEADER.
SEE THAT SCAR ON BOLO'S FACE?
HE GOT THAT SCAR THE FIRST TIME WE MET.
UH-HUH. HE FELL DOWN AS A KID, RIGHT?
?
YEAH, THAT'S WHAT HE TOLD ME TOO.


THEY BEAT ME TO WITHIN AN INCH OF MY LIFE.
WELL, I GOT CAUGHT RED-HANDED THAT DAY.
I WAS ALONE IN THE WORLD. NO FAMILY, NO NOTHING.
HAD TO PICK POCKETS TO GET BY.


...SHIELDED ME WITH HIS OWN BODY.
BUT BOLO...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BOLO SAVED MY LIFE, AND I THREW HIM UNDER THE BUS TO SAVE MYSELF. BUT INSTEAD...
I DESERVED TO BE DESPISED FOR THAT.
SO THAT'S WHY...
YEAH...
BUT I REPAID HIM LIKE A TOTAL IDIOT.
H...HE PUT ME UP TO IT!

HE WAS TREMB-LING...
...BUT HE DEFENDED MY LIE.
THAT'S RIGHT. I MADE HIM DO IT.
THEY THREW US BOTH IN JAIL.
IT WAS ALL MY FAULT. BUT BOLO WENT DOWN WITH ME.
I DIDN'T THINK A GUY LIKE THAT EXISTED.
I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT.
SAME HERE
WELL, I'LL BE YOUR CHIEF FROM NOW ON.
...
I... DUNNO...
YOU GOT ANY PARENTS OR FAMILY OR ANYTHING?

I'VE GOT YOUR BACK, KID!

NGGH... ZZZ...
...

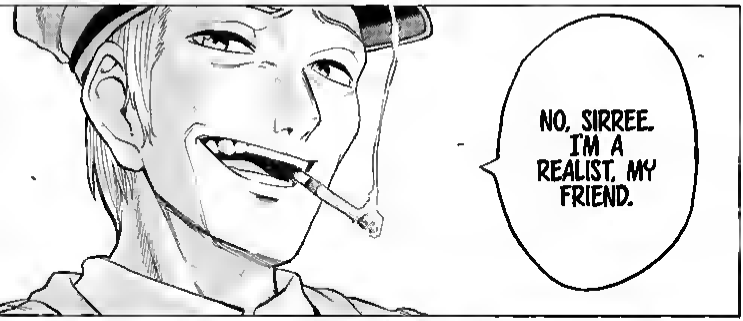
BOLO'S STRONG.
WAY STRONG-ER THAN ME.

ME 'N' CARLOS. WE'RE GONNA LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
THAT'S MY DREAM. ANYONE GOT A PROBLEM WITH THAT?

YOU GOT YOURSELF A GOOD CHIEF, CARLOS.
WELL, HECK.

TAKE CARE NOW!
THANKS FOR THE MEAL!
ARE YOU A CONTENDER TOO, MISTER?
HM?
THE DEMON'S PLAN, HUH?

YEAH...
HE'S ALL I'VE GOT.


NO, SIRREE. I'M A REALIST, MY FRIEND.

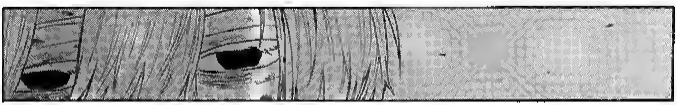
BUT I CAN APPRECIATE YOUNG'UNS WITH A DREAM.

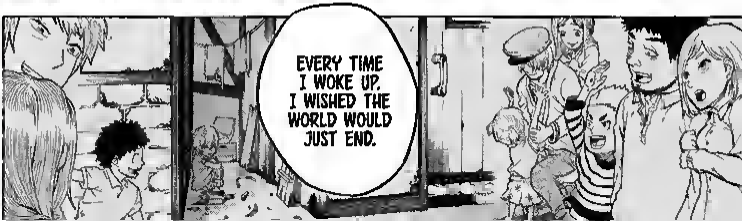
PHEW! THAT FELT GOOD!

I WAS JUST REMEMBERING STUFF...
...

YOU STILL UP?
GOT A LOT ON YOUR MIND?

SPENT ALL MY TIME FANTASIZING ABOUT ANOTHER LIFE. NOT FACING REALITY...
LIFE SEEMED UTTERLY POINTLESS. BUT I DIDN'T HAVE THE GUTS TO END IT, EITHER.
...WHY I WAS BORN INTO SUCH A MISERABLE LIFE.
I USED TO ALWAYS WONDER ...




EVERY TIME I WOKE UP, I WISHED THE WORLD WOULD JUST END.

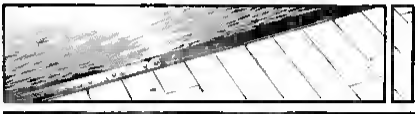
BUT WHEN I MET YOU, BOLO, I STARTED TO THINK THINGS COULD BE DIFFERENT.
STARTED WORKING HARD...
...SCHEMING TOGETHER ABOUT OUR DREAMS...
AND NOW...
THE FUTURE ISN'T BLACK ANYMORE.
THE FUTURE IS SOMETHING I LOOK FORWARD TO.
HEY...
WHAT'S COME OVER YOU, BUD?
...
IT'S OVER.
HUH?
NINE YEARS, 11 MONTHS, AND 23 DAYS...
PUT US TO WORK. WE'LL DO ANY-THING
TOUGH LUCK. WE DON'T NEED MORE WORKERS.
WE FINALLY FOUND WORK! LET'S ROCK THIS!
LITTLE BY LITTLE...
OUR DAY WILL COME!

WE'RE GONNA DIE EVENTUALLY.
SO WE MIGHT AS WELL HAVE FUN AND DREAM BIG!
YESTERDAY DDESN'T MATTER! WHAT MATTERS IS TDDAY AND TOMORROW!
YEEE-HAW!!
WE DID IT. WE SAVED A MILLION WATTS!
...

YOU AND ME...
...ARE GONNA MAKE IT, BUDDY!

WHO IS IT?

IF IT'S PETZ AND THOSE GUYS, LET'S SHOW THEM THE DOUGH!

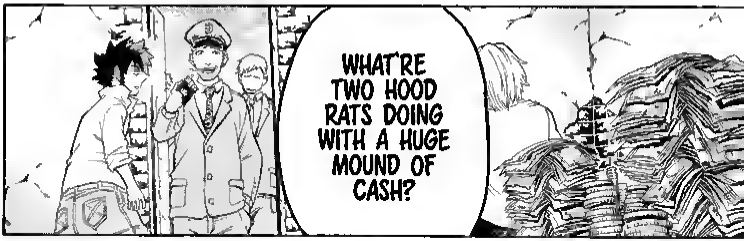


HUH?
BAM BAM BAM

I'LL GET IT.
WHO'S THERE?

...
OPEN

HUH?
WHADDYA MEAN?
I WOULDN'T MOUTH OFF RIGHT NOW, KID.
YOU TWO ARE UNDER ARREST...
...AS SUSPECTS IN THE BENTON ESTATE ROBBERY.


WHAT'RE TWO HOOD RATS DOING WITH A HUGE MOUND OF CASH?

SHP
WHSH
THAT'S OUR SAVINGS!!
YOU CAN TELL US ALL ABOUT IT DOWN AT THE STATION.

HA
NICE TRY, PUNK.
SNAP
PUH-LEASE!
LOOK AT THIS...
LOOK AT THESE GRUNGY LITTLE BILLS AND JARS OF CHANGE. DOES THIS LOOK LIKE WE RIPPED IT OFF FROM A BILLIONAIRE?
NO WAY IN HELL!!
VOOSH
CONFISCATE THE MONEY AND CUFF THE KIDS.
WHA...
WOBBLE
WHAT THE...
...?!
WORMP
WHAM

LET'S MAKE A DEAL.

YOU HEARD US SAY WE HAD SAVINGS.
YOU WERE AT THE BAR LAST NIGHT. AT THE COUNTER.
I SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE.

HMPH ...
YOU WANT US TO LEAVE THE LOOT?
WHAT ARE YOU, STUPID?
BUT LEAVE BOLO AND THE MONEY.

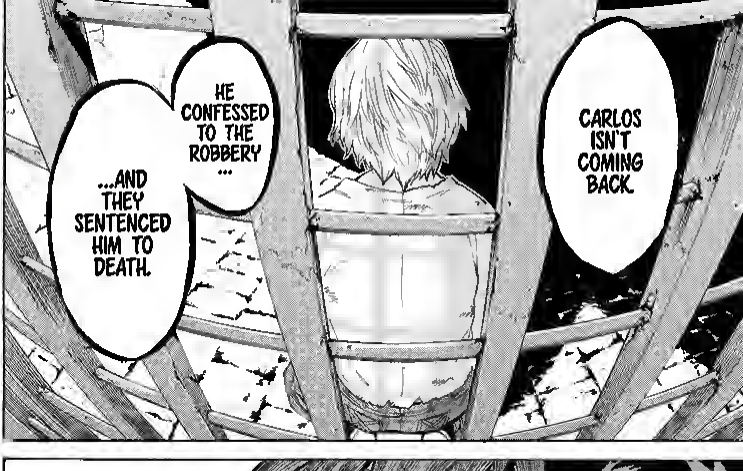
WHAT KIND OF DEAL?
TWO FOR ONE.

YOU WANT TO SOLVE THIS CASE AND LOOK GOOD AS COPS.
SO TAKE ME.

VWAM
DON'T BE GREEDY.
I MIGHT NOT GET ALL THREE OF YOU. BUT I'LL TAKE AT LEAST ONE OF YOU WITH ME.
OR YOU CAN WAIT QUIETLY OUTSIDE. THAT'S THE BEST OFFER YOU'RE GONNA GET.
...
CHIEF...
IT'S COOL, MAN.

I WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY IF NOT FOR YOU.
BUT LISTEN, BOLO...
I KNOW YOU DIDN'T ASK ME FOR THIS.
ME 'N' CARLOS. WE'RE GONNA LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER.
YOU ALREADY MADE MY DREAM COME TRUE.
I'VE KNOWN HAPPINESS.
SINCE THAT DAY WHEN YOU TOOK ME BY THE HAND...

WAKE UP, BOLO!
HEY... WHERE'S CARLOS?
LISTEN, BOLO...WE HATE TO BREAK THIS TO YOU...
BREAK WHAT TO ME?
...
HUH?
EASY NOW...
WHERE'S CARLOS?
OOG...
EASY NOW?! THOSE GUYS TREATED US LIKE CRIM-IHALS!
AHD THEY TOOK THE DOUGH...
RUSTL

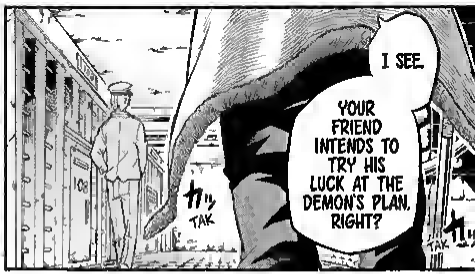

CARLOS ISN'T COMING BACK.
HE CONFESSED TO THE ROBBERY ...
...AND THEY SENTENCED HIM TO DEATH.

VWAM
BOLO! WHERE YA GOIN'?!
WE WERE THERE, BUDDY!
WHAT THE HECK, CARLOS?!
THIS ISN'T HAPPENING!
VOOSH
THE WHOLE THING'S POINTLESS WITHOUT YOU!!

YOU SEEM AWFULLY SERENE.
YOU KNEW THIS WAS COMING, HUH?
VUHHOO
NO WAY AM I LETTING THEM EXECUTE YOU!!
YOU WANT TO MAKE AN EXAMPLE OF SOMEONE.
WE WERE EASY TARGETS.
YOU'RE CONVINCED THE PERP WAS SOMEONE POOR.
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS TO THE POOR WHEN THEY DEFY THE RICH.
I'M NOT DYING FOR NOTHING.
CLEARLY YOU'VE GOT SOME BRAINS IN THAT HEAD. BUT TO SACRIFICE IT ALL FOR THAT GUTTER PUNK AND A LITTLE PILE OF CASH...
HEH HEH...
YOU'VE REALLY GOT A SCREW LOOSE. I DON'T GET IT.
WE HAVE TO PROTECT THE PEACE.
AND KISS UP TO THE RULING CLASS. WELL DONE.

BOLO IS A CHOSEN ONE.

THAT VOICE...
WELCOME, SIR. JUST IN TIME.

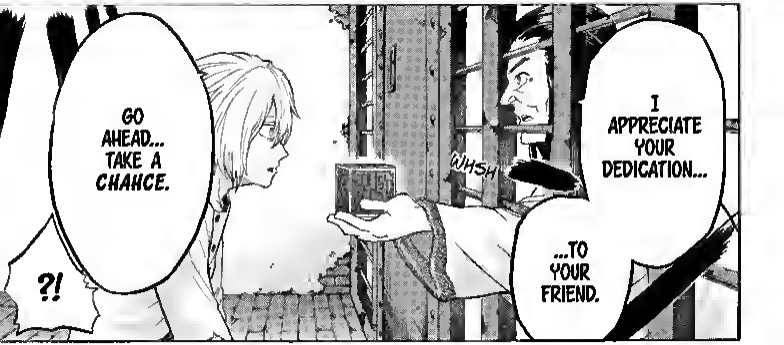

I SEE.
YOUR FRIEND INTENDS TO TRY HIS LUCK AT THE DEMON'S PLAN, RIGHT?
カッ TAK

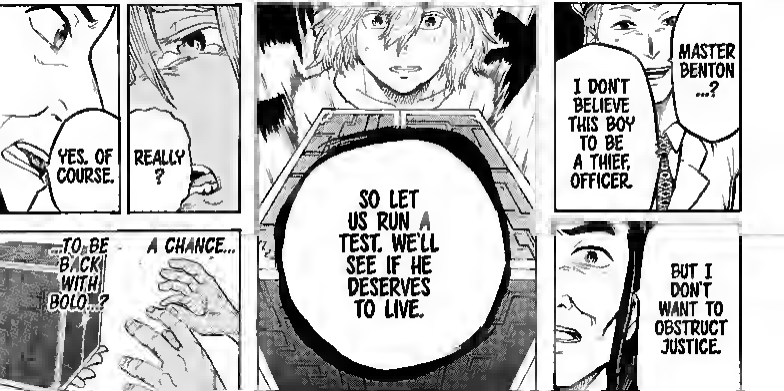
NO WAY...

CLANG
CALM DOWN, BOY.
WAIT!! I STOLE THE MONEY!!
BOLO HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!

TMP
WELL DONE. I UNDERSTAND YOU CAUGHT THE THIEF.
MASTER BENTON...

GOOD... BUT... WHY DID HE CALL MASTER BENTON? JUST TO SHOW ME TO HIM?
I...
APPRE-CIATE THAT.
I'M AN ADULT. I BEAR NO GRUDGES.
I WELCOME ANY CHALLENGERS WITH THE MONEY TO BUY A CHANCE.
HM...
YOU AREN'T WHAT I WAS EXPECTING...


GO AHEAD... TAKE A CHANCE.
?!
WHSH
I APPRECIATE YOUR DEDICATION...
...TO YOUR FRIEND.


YES. OF COURSE.
REALLY ?
SO LET US RUN A TEST. WE'LL SEE IF HE DESERVES TO LIVE.
I DON'T BELIEVE THIS BOY TO BE A THIEF, OFFICER.
MASTER BENTON ...?
...TO BE BACK WITH BOLO...?
A CHANCE...
BUT I DON'T WANT TO OBSTRUCT JUSTICE.

TAKE IT WITH YOU TO THE GRAVE, MAGGOT!
I HAD A NEW ONE MADE THE OTHER DAY!
HUH?
MADE ...?
A... NEW ONE...?

BUT WE SAW IT...TEN YEARS AGO...
WAAAH
IT WAS A MIRACLE. A REAL DEMON'S HAND...

KCHAK

WHAT THE HECK...?

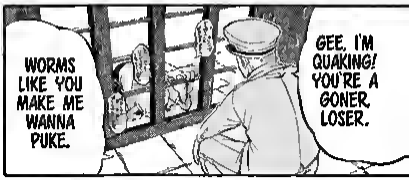
KEH...

HA HA HA HA HA!! WHAT A JOKE!! THE LOOK ON HIS FACE!
BWA HA HA HA
HO HO HO!! OH, YOU GOT HIM GOOD!

LIAR!!
...FOR NOTHING?
ALL THOSE YEARS, SLAVING AWAY..
PSHOO
I HIRED AN ACTOR TO SIT IN A WHEELCHAIR FOR ME!
NOTHING TASTES AS GOOD AS A MEAL BOUGHT WITH THE TAKINGS FROM A SUCKER'S WASTED DREAM!
OH, I'LL SELL YOUR BUDDY A CHANCE, BOY!
AAAAAAAAUGH!!

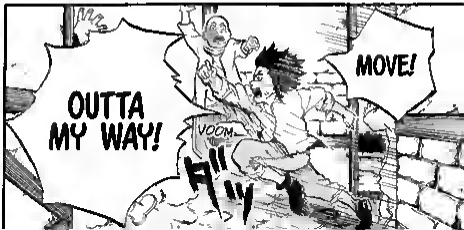
I'LL KILL YOU ALL!!
YOU... BAS- TARDS ...

HA HA HA! HEAR THAT, PUNK?
THE GALLOWS ARE READY, SIR.


WORMS LIKE YOU MAKE ME WANNA PUKE.
GEE, I'M QUAKING! YOU'RE A GONER, LOSER.

TIME FOR YOUR WASTED LIFE TO COME TO AN END.
ALL RIGHT, CARLOS.

YOU GOT IT ALL WRONG, CARLOS...


OUTTA MY WAY!
MOVE!
VOOM

I THOUGHT THIS WORLD WAS GARBAGE TOO
IT'S NOT JUST YOU
I'M NOT THE TOUGH GUY YOU THINK I AM.
...BUT...
...FOR THEIR CHARITY...
I NEVER ASKED FOR ANYONE'S PITY...
...I WAS HAPPY TO TAKE THEIR MONEY.
IF IT MEANT FOOD IN MY BELLY..
I WAS READY TO DIE.
BUT IT WAS JUST A WHIM. I'M NO HERO.
YEAH. I CAME TO YOUR RESCUE.
I JUST DIDN'T CARE ANYMORE.

TH... THANK... YOU...
THAT'S HOW I FELT.
NOBODY HAD EVER...
...LOOKED AT ME LIKE THAT.
THE WORDS JUST CAME OUT OF NOWHERE.

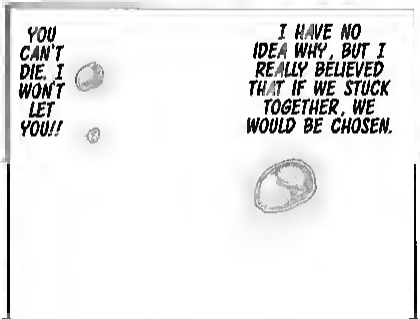
I'VE GOT YOUR BACK, KID!

TO BE YOUR CHIEF.
HFF HFF HFF
SO I WORKED MY BUTT OFF.
I WAS DETERMINED TO BE WORTHY OF YOUR RESPECT.

EVERYONE KNEW IT.
RIGHT AWAY IT WAS CLEAR YOU WERE WAY BEYOND ME.

...MY EMPTY HAND.
EVER SINCE THE DAY YOU SHOOK...

WE HAVE A CHANCE
VOOSH
AS LONG AS WE'RE TOGETHER...
CARLOS !!!


YOU CAN'T DIE. I WON'T LET YOU!!
I HAVE NO IDEA WHY, BUT I REALLY BELIEVED THAT IF WE STUCK TOGETHER, WE WOULD BE CHOSEN.

WE'LL FIND HAPPINESS...

W-WHAT...
...HAP-PENED HERE?

!

IT'S ALL RIGHT. I'VE QUIETED THOSE WHO STOOD IN OUR WAY.
TMP

WHO...
...DID THIS?
WHERE'S... CARLOS?

BAM
C-CARLOS ...?
SHOOP
TUP
WHO'S... THAT?
I WANDER THIS EARTH TO SEEK OUT THE CHOSEN ONES.
THOSE WHO HAVE TRULY DEDICATED THEMSELVES.
MASTER BOLO. I PRESUME. ENCHANTED TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE.
I GO BY THE NAME PATRON.

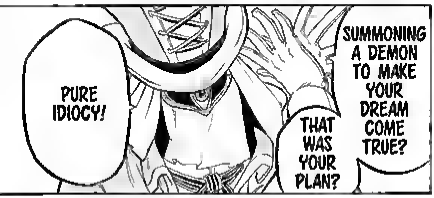
VWHOOO
...IS TO GRANT THE WISHES...
...OF THOSE CHOSEN BY THIS--THE TRUE DEMON'S PLAN!
MY SOLE PURPOSE IN LIFE...
...THOSE SCUMBAGS HAD US IN THE PALM OF THEIR HANDS.
BOLO... ALL THIS TIME...
THE TRUE DEMON'S PLAN? WHAT?
VWHOOO
THEY WERE ALL PURE GARBAGE!
AND BENTON'S DEMON'S PLAN...
THAT "MIRACLE" WE WITNESSED TEN YEARS AGO...
WHAT?
NO...

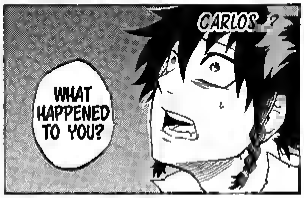
OH, AT LONG LAST!
THE REVERED CHIEF OF MASTER CARLOS!
SHF
ALL THESE LONG YEARS ...
I WAITED IN SUSPENSE TO MAKE YOUR ACQUAINTANCE.
TMP
IT'S TRUE.
AND YET...
...YOU SEEM SO ORDINARY!
A COMMON STREET RAT HUNGERS FOR NO MORE THAN THE MOST MUNDANE OF REWARDS.
SUCH DESIRES ARE NOT WORTHY OF ITS FAVOR!
YOU, THE CHIEF OF MASTER CARLOS? WHAT A JOKE!
THE DEMON'S PLAN...
...SELECTS AS ITS MASTER ONLY THOSE WHO ARE POSSESSED OF TRULY EXTRAORDINARY ASPIRATIONS!

VWOOSH
ZOT
ZOT
ZOT
ZOT

THE DEMON'S PLAN GRANTS ITS CHOSEN ONES...
...THE GENUINE POWER TO ATTAIN THEIR EXTRAORDINARY ASPIRATIONS!
BEHOLD! THIS IS THE BONA FIDE ARTICLE! THIS IS ITS REAL WORTH!
HA HA HA HA HA! YES, YOU ARE TRULY AMAZING!!
FORGIVE ME. DID I SAY TOO MUCH?
...

THE POWER TO DESTROY!
THE BLOOD MIST WINGS!
CARLOS, A TRUE CHOSEN ONE!


PURE IDIOCY!
THAT WAS YOUR PLAN?
SUMMONING A DEMON TO MAKE YOUR DREAM COME TRUE?


CARLOS...?
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

...BECAUSE IT FEEDS ON A HUMAN'S DESIRES AND *TRANSFORMS* ITS SUBJECT INTO A DEMON!
THE DEMON'S PLAN IS THUS NAMED...

WHY...
IT'S ALL RIGHT, BOLO.
TMP
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
WHOOOO
CARLOS... A DEMON? A CHOSEN ONE...?

AT LONG LAST, I UNDERSTAND.
IT ISN'T THIS WORLD THAT'S BAD!

NOTHING CAN FLOWER IN PUTRID SOIL!
IT MATTERS NOT WHAT SEEDS WE SOW...
RICH MEN WHO SELL FALSE HOPE AND PREY ON THE MISERY OF THE MASSES...
A CORRUPT LEGAL SYSTEM THAT PROTECTS AND SUPPORTS THEM...
THOSE PEOPLE MADE THIS WORLD ROTTEN!

...AND WRITE A NEW HAPPY ENDING FOR YOU AND ME, BOLO.
THUS, IT FALLS UPON ME TO BURY THE SLIME THAT RULE THIS CORRUPT WORLD...
COME WITH ME. THIS TIME...
I'LL PROTECT YOU.
YOU'RE AMAZING, CARLOS. I ALWAYS KNEW IT.
YES. YOU'RE RIGHT.
YOU, THE CHIEF OF MASTER CARLOS? WHAT A JOKE!

BUT I...

NEVER, CARLOS!

...

BASH
YOU'RE CRAZY!!
...
NOTHING WILL CHANGE IF WE STOP HERE.
I MEAN IT, BOLO.

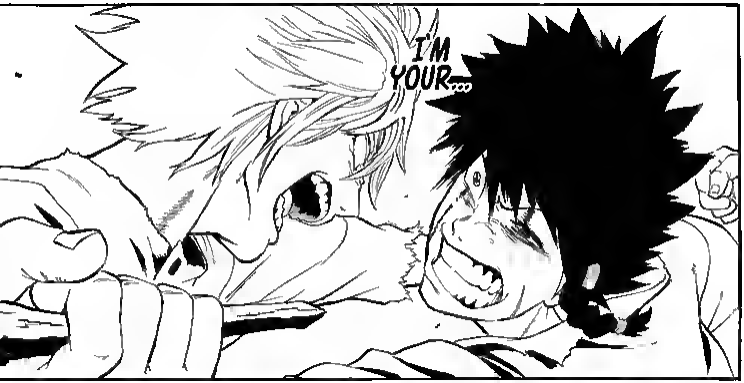
...THE REAL THING...
SMASH
GRIT
GAH! SO THIS IS...
GRIT

JUST NOD YES. THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TO DO.
DON'T GET UP AGAIN, BOLO.

I'LL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES.
THAT'S GREAT.
BUT NOT LIKE THIS.
SHFF
GNF...
I WANT TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE YOU CAN BE HAPPY, BOLO.
THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED, ISN'T IT?

I WANTED HAPPINESS FOR BOTH OF US, CARLOS.
YOU 'N ME, CARLOS. WE'RE GONNA LIVE A GREAT LIFE TOGETHER TILL THE END!
NO. DON'T.
I'VE ALREADY... MADE UP MY MIND.
I'M GOING TO KEEP GETTING UP.
I'LL STAND UP TO YOU AS MANY TIMES AS I HAVE TO...
KSHAK
THAT'S NOT GOING TO END WELL, BOLO!
STOOOOOOOOP!

I'M TERRIFIED...
I DON'T STAND A CHANCE.
I'M IN PAIN AND I CAN'T STOP SHAKING.
I... I... I'M AS GOOD AS DEAD.
I'VE MADE UP MY MIND.
BUT...


I'M YOUR...

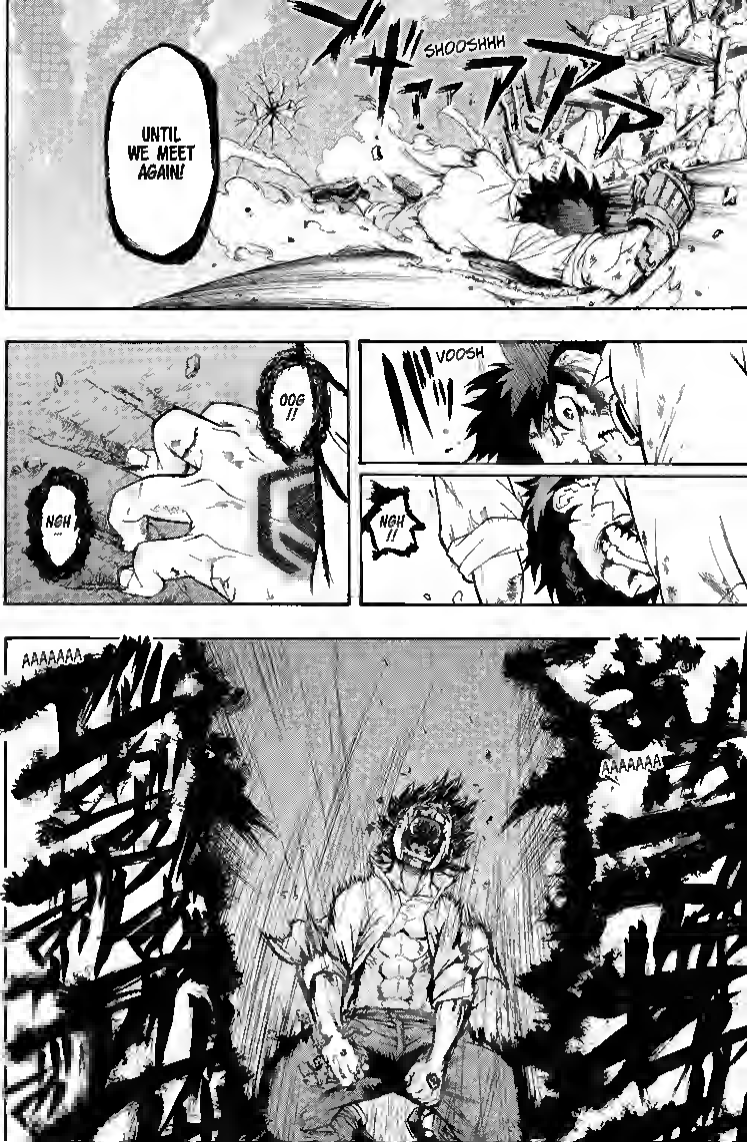
THANKS, CHIEF!
...AS YOUR CHIEF, I'LL HAFTA STOP YOU. EVEN IF IT COMES TO BLOWS.
IF YOU MAKE A BAD CHOICE...

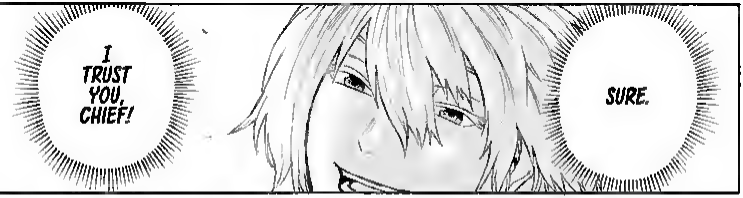
I WILL!
STAY WITH ME!
COMING!
FOLLOW ME, CARLOS!

I'M YOUR CHIEF.
WHAM
?!
SHRAKK
THE BLOOD...
FORMS A SHEATH... LIKE ARMOR...?!
VRAKK
THIS IS THE DEMON'S PLAN?!
SHOOSH
AAAAAA
WAAA

IMPOS-
SIBLE...
HEH
HEH...
WHEN THE EXTERNAL IS STRIPPED AWAY...
JUST AS A SEED PRODUCES FRUIT... THE DESIRE I SAW WAS ONLY SUPERFICIAL!
FASCINATING!
THIS CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING.
THE DEMON'S PLAN IS CRUMBLING...
THE WILL TO PROTECT ANOTHER AT ANY COST, WITH NO REGARD FOR ONE'S OWN LIFE.
THE POWER TO PROTECT-- THE CRIMSON BELL.
YOU, TOO, HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY THE DEMON'S PLAN!

?!
LET GO OF CARLOS !!
SM..SH!
T'WOULD BE A SHAME TO LET IT END NOW!
THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ONE DAY.
NOOOOOOOOO!!
VOOSH
CARLOS !!!


SHOOSHHH
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN!
OOG //
NGH ...
VOOSH
NGH //
AAAAAAA
AAAAAAA



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